

**15 October 2021 BOARD MEETING  
DISCUSSION AGENDA ITEM**

**AGENDA ITEM: 11**

**SUBJECT:**

Consideration of a Board Resolution approving the Delta Regional Monitoring Program governance structure and implementing entity

**BOARD ACTION:**

Consider adoption of RESOLUTION R5-2021-XXXX

**BACKGROUND:**

The Central Valley Water Board requires individual dischargers and discharger groups to conduct monitoring of Delta waters and Delta tributary waters in the vicinity of their discharge. The Central Valley Water Board determined that funding for these monitoring efforts (known as ambient or receiving water quality monitoring) could be used more efficiently and effectively if used for a coordinated, regional ambient monitoring effort.

The Central Valley Water Board formed the Delta Regional Monitoring Program (Delta RMP) in 2012. As initially formed, the Delta RMP governance structure comprised a Steering Committee, Technical Advisory Committee, and subcommittee workgroups. The Aquatic Science Center, a joint powers agency created by the State Water Board and Bay Area Clean Water Agencies, served as the Implementing Entity for the Delta RMP since the inception of the program. In 2013, the Central Valley Water Board adopted Resolution R5-2013-0130 to allow dischargers to participate in the Delta RMP in lieu of conducting individual monitoring or individual studies. In the last seven years, the Delta RMP implemented monitoring designs for pathogens, current use pesticides and toxicity, mercury, nutrients, constituents of emerging concern, cyanobacteria and cyanotoxins. These monitoring efforts provided data that were included in water quality management decision making.

A new proposed governance structure was developed by the RMP participants, which includes a newly formed non-profit organization to implement the program. The Board will consider adoption of the RMP

Resolution to approve the new governance structure and new organization as the implementing entity for the Delta RMP.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Staff recommends adoption of Resolution R5-2021-XXXX

**REVIEWS:**

Management Review:	MH 09/16/21
Legal Review:	BTD 9/16/21

**BOARD MEETING LOCATION:**

Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board meeting  
11020 Sun Center Dr. #200  
Rancho Cordova, CA 95670

***Internet Zoom Meeting***